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INTERNET EXCHANGES IN GUJARAT
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any request for setting up of an internet exchange in Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): A group of 12 Internet Service Providers (ISPs) has submitted a proposal for setting up of a mini National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI) at Ahmedabad. The Department of Science & Technology, Government of Gujarat has proposed the establishment of a NIXI hub within the State of Gujarat to meet the needs of the ISPs of the State.

(c): NIXI has operationalised all its four Internet exchange nodes at Noida (Delhi), Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata. The issues underlying the establishment of NIXI hubs in other cities to address the specific needs of smaller ISPs have been identified.